

Council Meeting Minutes

Barony of Lions Gate

Minutes taken by:

In attendance:

SENESCHAL'S REPORT - Archos Morweena

Meeting format

Id like to see Kevin act as chair, passing the floor to the various people that need to address a point

What I've been up to

I am in the process of registering our new officers via the officer change forms.

Need some info from Chamberlain to complete this

Following up with Dance officer on form

Two officers have indicated that they are interested in stepping down due to a lack of time - Families and Thrown Weapons. Working with both to have the positions posted, we have an interested party willing to be intern thrown weapons officer

Need form for deputy exchequer - send home with B&B

Background Checks

There has been some confusion on this

Document on An Tir web page says for Canada the Seneschal handles background checks for families actives but regional YAC handles YAC

Discussed with YAC principality officer and he feels I should be doing this - asked Principality seneschal for clarification of the process and we are discussing this

It appears that despite the posted process we are actually to follow the process for Families Mentors and not the posted one for YAC.

So starting as soon as I can I will process the requests I have

I have one for Garet... and Angela mentioned one for someone else Edwin but I do not have anything that may have been sent to the Principality YAC officer or previous Senehale

Anti Bullying policy

SCA corporate has released an anti bullying policy statement -

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Harassment and bullying includes, but is not limited to the following: offensive or lewd verbal comments directed to an individual; the display of explicit images (drawn or photographic) depicting an individual in an inappropriate manner; photographing or recording individuals inappropriately to abuse or harass the individual; inappropriate physical contact; unwelcome sexual attention; or retaliation for reporting harassment and/or bullying. Participants violating these rules are subject to appropriate sanctions. If an individual feels subjected to harassment, bullying or retaliation, they should contact a seneschal, President of the SCA, or the Kingdom's Board Ombudsman. If a participant of the SCA becomes aware that someone is being harassed or bullied, they have a responsibility pursuant to the SCA Code of Conduct to come forward and report this behavior to a seneschal, President of the SCA or Kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

The following statement must be posted at gate/troll at every SCA event in a size large enough for people to see it as they enter our events. This language must likewise be quoted in ALL site handouts at every event a site were a handout is made available.

THE SCA PROHIBITS HARASSMENT AND BULLYING OF ALL INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS

Participants engaging in this behavior are subject to appropriate sanctions

If you are subjected to harassment, bullying or retaliation, or if you become aware of anyone being harassed or bullied, contact a seneschal, President of the SCA, or your Kingdom's Board Ombudsman.

More details will come later this week after the kingdom seneschals have a conference call

EXCHEQUER'S REPORT – HL Isabeau Fiona the Archer

Financial Results

- YTD: on income of \$10535.74 and expenses of \$9222.61, we have a net gain of \$1313.13
- Receivables: \$1925
 - \$50 Thursday practice float (Kian)
 - \$175 general supplies (Caitrina)
 - \$1000 September Crown site deposit
 - \$500 TOA gate float advance

- \$200 Named insurance advance TOA & September Crown
- Prepaid Expenses: \$1690.50 storage locker

Events – net gain \$1646.73

Event	Income	Expense s	Gain/ Loss	Attendance	Remarks
Lion Stage	413.00	320.90	92.10	Adults: 38 paid, 6 comped Youth: 1 Child: 5 NMS: 6	Final Report
Canterbury Faire	2345.00	1562.00	783.00	Adults: 101 day, 5 night 10 comped Youth: 7 Child: 9 NMS: 29	Final Report
Lions Gate Champions	1141.45	369.82	771.63	Adults: 103, plus 10 comped Youth/Child: 8 NMS: 22	Final Report

Practices: net gain of \$834.85

- Results: all practice site fees paid up to April
 - Sunday (Archery/ Equestrian): gain of \$338.35 (May & June site invoices still pending)
 - Tuesday (Heavy): loss of \$197.00
 - Thursday (Rapier): gain of \$693.50 (June site invoice still pending)

Banking

- Our new cheques have been picked up. We should have enough for quite a while. With this new purchase volume our cost per cheque has been cut almost is half.

Projects Still Underway

- 2nd quarter financial report is pending and will be completed this week.
- Financial Policy update
- Revamp the event bid form – similar to Kingdom and Principality, make it less onerous

Available Funds

As of 6pm on July 25th, total available funds are \$15380.25 which includes the following Special Funds

- Archery \$255.51
- Baronial Pavilion \$2966.90
- Baronial Thrones \$180.00

Other Stuff

Financial Policy update is in progress; we have made the changes we felt were necessary but also need to make sure our policy is in compliance with recent changes to Tir Righ, An Tir, and SCA policies

Event bid form updates are also in progress.

\$180 is left in the throne fund - we will look into getting new covers (bags) for the thrones.

PAST EVENTS

None

FUTURE EVENTS

Tournament of Armies

August 4-7, 2017

Event Steward: Mistress Ceara

Amended budget with increased biffy costs because we are expecting more people due to recent event cancellations. New budget still comes out with a profit.

Amended budget passed by vote of council.

Request for 600\$ biffy contingency fund in case attendance exceeds new expected attendance

Passed by vote of council.

All champions will be comped even those not yet mentioned in the financial policy.
Passed.

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Clarification: Champions cannot be comped if they are not members.

September Crown

September 1-3, 2017

Event Steward: Duke UlfR Blodfotur Fallgrson

Morweena or Mark in Ulfs absence

Gatekeeper requested to get the gate supplies immediately after TOA.

Second/neighbouring site could not be booked, insurance can be ordered.

Prereg will open once the PO box in Blaine is set up for US pre-reg.

Lions Gate Trials

September 15-17, 2017

Event Steward: Laird James Irvein

Request for information about stabling costs and site walkthrough sent to site manager

Corrected contract with deposit has been received by seneschale

New thing this year: there will be a YAC prize tourney.

Baronial Banquet

October 21, 2017

Bid received from Cassandra. Revised bid needs to be sent to financial committee.

Baroness Inspirational Tournament

November 18, 2017

Two bids received. One from Kevin, Maevis and Rus, One from Amica and Theodora from Fjordland. Financial Committee will review.

CONTINUED BUSINESS

Baronial Pavilion - no progress. (Uilliam)

Rapier (Morweena) - we asked Blades what their new break-even point is: 12 ppl per night, they have never had less than that. they are willing to raise prices if attendance drops.

Petitions to extend YAC and archery offices have been received & signed.

TUTR (Morweena) - three people have expressed interest, no applications

NEW BUSINESS

YAC Ratan Request (YAC officer)

Discussion around \$50 previously budgeted for rattan for loaner gear. Opportunity to go in on an order with Heartwood. Details will be submitted to financial committee

Equestrian Reimbursement (Equestrian Officer)

Equestrian office has spent \$100 of their repair/replace budget. Remittance check cannot be cut without receipt.

Waivers (Seneschale)

Seneschale has submitted all the collected practice waivers up to Q1 2017. This should actually be Branch Marshal's responsibility. Seneschale will discuss this with MoS

Practices vs Events (Seneschale)

Previously calendar policy outlined that level 4 events "official practices" could not conflict with Crown, Coronet or other events in the "conflict zone".

As provided to me by the Kingdom Seneschal this is no longer the case and at the discretion of the branch seneschal you can conflict.

Seneschal feels is that we should not conflict with local events (Lions Gate or Lionsdale) or Coronet and Crown events, the Baron suggested that crown events in Tir Righ or near the Canadian boarder we should not conflict with but if its in the summits he is open to looking at individual practices.

Equestrian Practices (Equestrian Officer)

Possible site found in Delta for equestrian/archery practices and possibly Tuesday heavy practice. Bri will send details to Financial Committee. Securable storage is also available on that site for practice equipment.

Gate Classes (Elena)

Tuesday night fight practices will be doing classes to learn how to do Gate.

Council Meetings (Kevin)

Note there is reduced parking at VanCity because we cannot park on the street any more. There is no set location for August council because VanCity is not available and

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we have not yet gotten confirmation that we can use Constance Court. Info will be published as soon as possible.

CORONET REPORT

No report

NEXT MEETING

Date: Wednesday, August 23, 2017

Location: TBA

OFFICER REPORTS

Archery – Her Ladyship Delwyn verch Ynyr

No report.

Chamberlain – Russell Cam-beul O'Danescombe

Events

Kingdom Coronation, July 14-16 2017. The erics were returned within the week.

Tournament of Armies, August 4-6 2017. Event steward has been in contact with a list of required supplies. No pick up scheduled yet.

Inventory and Hand Off

HL Jaqueline Lefleur has handed the keys and books of the office over to me. Inventory is complete and a new up to date list should be available soon.

Maintenance

Master Gareth, (so weird not referring to him as Sergeant Gareth), will be picking up the eric bases to drill holes for the application of spikes.

Equestrian – Her Ladyship Briana

My apologies for the lateness of this report. I will be at Council tomorrow to answer any questions or concerns and to collect the \$100 reimbursement for supplies purchased.

We had no events, but only 1 practice so far in July, with a total of 5 riders participating. The heat of the summer has led to fewer riders and more emphasis on equitation than martial skill building. The most recent practice saw two riders from Ramsgaard trying the paces and games of a couple GW horses, and furthering their progress towards Marshal status. In addition, we had a TOA Eq logistics planning discussion at the most recent practice, and have a clear plan of action to get our mounts and the Baronial equipage to and from the event. Preparation is good! We have also opted to pay for a dedicated biffy for the equestrian area at TOA, and are happy to give this pilot program a try.

There was a meeting at July Coronation that the Principality Equestrian Officer led, that pointed out some of the difficulties in getting equestrian activities happening at Tir Righ events, and to some need for special authorisations to happen for our marshallate (Crest Combat, Mounted Combat and Driving, especially, as these are areas of interest to many of our participating horsemen). The response was surprise from many of the

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Marshalls in attendance as they were not aware how short handed Tir Righ is, since we are so active. I will be moving forward with some special invites to certain members of the Marshall community to encourage their attendance at some of our practices.

I made a purchase of a good quality, good used condition Quintain, more portable Rings system, several lightweight lances, and a bag of new mannequin Heads which have already started their service at our most recent practice. I spent \$100 of the Office's allotted amount for repair and replacement of equipment, (reimbursement requested) and made a valuable connection for future hauling of our larger mounts to events.

I attended the TOA co-ordination meeting and input my plans for that event's equestrian shenanigans. I have had very positive reactions to many of the ideas posited, and am very keen to see how well all of it goes. I have not yet received a copy of the Eq Insurance certificates for TOA or Trials. Would appreciate at least a digital copy for my records.

As with last report, upcoming events with Equestrian are TOA, September Crown and Trials. In addition, at least three equestrians from Lions Gate are planning to attend and compete in some of the fun at Emprise of the Black Lion, at the end of September.

The next practice is set for July 30, at which we will be reviewing some of the skills for TOA, and at the next practice, the week after TOA, we will Turkey Talk about how the event went. Practices for August will be August 13 and 20.

Minister of Stables – His Lordship Brynmor Raven

Good evening

This month was a quiet month for Lions Gate practice. Smaller numbers before coronation due to many going to AWW. Sir vikingR won the monthly tourney. No injuries reported.

Minister of Blades

Rapier report: July 6th - July 20th

No rapier occurred at any official rapier events

Practice report:

- July 6th
19 participants, no events to report
- July 13th
12 participants, no events to report

- July 20th
13 participants, no events to report

Nothing else to report at this time.

Arts & Science – Her Ladyship Eleanor Odlowe

~The July Arts & Sciences Social was held on July 5, 2017.

~The July Black Kettle cooks' meeting was held on July 12, 2017.

~The monthly A&S classes on the 3rd Wednesday of the month are suspended until the fall.

Scribe -

We had our first Lions Gate scribal night on July 19th. We had 8 people in attendance. We discussed the basics of painting and differences between charters and scrolls as well as other introductions to Scribal basics. We had some working on practice pieces and many working on Kingdom charters. We have received paper to test to see if it will work for the baronial charters. If it does we will be focusing on painting Baronial charters in August. We are also working on assigning scrolls. The Loat charter art should have arrived by the time council happens. The Calligraphy should be done shortly thereafter. We are still looking for additional charter designs as well as people to give scroll assignments to. Please contact scribe@lionsgate.tirrih.org for more information.

Chronicler – Laird James Irvein

No report.

Youth Armoured Combat – Lady Sibhaidh

Hartwood has reached out to ask for assistance to set up some YAC.

Principality YAC is involved.

Challenge with practices are due to school schedules and ages of the Youths, younger ones can not stay up late to join in or be at Heavy Practice.

Perhaps there can be some space/time set in at events for practices, mentoring and tourneys? This is up to the Stewards. I would love some support for this.

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We had an entry into the Coronation YAC tourney. Phaelen squared off against Beren (Duke Styrkarr's son) for the first time since Sept. Crown 3 years ago, Phaelen's first tourney. Same result, different game. 3 years ago, Beren won the tourney, Phaelen received the Chivalry. Same this time, however, the play and exchange was much more polished and entertaining!

I have requests for prize tourneys for ToA and Trials, I will be attending to these. I have also offered to run a Q&A session for YAC at ToA for Parents and Youths and any other interested parties.

Sir Kheron has offered to purchase some Youth Rattan, I have requested a new budget of \$50 from council to repay this. I know that there are some interested parties on the Island who wish to acquire some and I'm sure we can make back some of the related costs in the interest of creating opposition and more tourneys and ...dare I say it? war points...hehehehe

A reminder that the Youth Combat Champion Tourney is to be held at Baroness' Inspiration. I would like the eventual Steward of that event to please contact me ASAP. :) It would be very interesting to have some Lion or Griffin Youths in this one :D Please pass the word about!

Practices have not been held do to scheduling conflicts.

Also, I have applied to be a Arms and Armour Mentor under the YAFA program, as it makes sense. Any other YAC Marshals are encouraged to do so as well. To become a YAC Marshal, please forward your back ground check info to the Senechal and get that completed, familiarize

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yourself with the 2008 YAC version of the ABC's on the An Tir website and then speak to Sir Kheron or myself. :D We need more Marshals as the current set, excepting Sir Kheron and myself are running out of authorization as of the end of August this year.

Scribe – Mistress Agnes Creswyke

No report.

Chatelaine – Ragnvaldr of Heartwood

Good Morning, little to report this month. Two contacts, one was the portal privy ppl again. The other was a new person asking about ppl to make garb.

Sable Loat - Laric Godwin

The Barony did not hold any events in the previous month, no Towne Crier or Court Herald to report.

No submissions were brought to my attention.

I will be attempting to learn OSCAR over the next month.

Family Activities Coordinator - Wynmarcha Hakatana

Monthly report for Family Activities Coordinator:

Nothing to report, no injuries, no deaths. I missed LG Champs, and LD Champs.

I am considering resigning this office, because I initially applied nearly two years, a pregnancy, and a second baby ago and my time constraints have changed. I know the Youth Achievement stuff is a large part of this position, but I have had no time to bone up on it. Nor do I have any idea if we have anyone in our branch involved in the program.

I think if anyone else has an interest in this, I'll hand it over, if there's no takers, I'll just continue to muddle along.

Future Event Plans:

TOA - I should be in attendance, and will do children's activities if I am.

Odin's Playground - Maybe

LG Trials - Probably

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As I have no vehicle, and don't drive, I'm finding it difficult to get to local events with both kids and stuff. It's ironically somewhat easier to get to further events, because the greyhound is easier than city buses.

Webminister – Lady Jakemina Arwemaker

- June minutes uploaded
- upcoming events updated
- practice address updated
- officers updated as needed

TUTR - Vacant

due to mundane concerns must resign
To date there have been no applications